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FOR: OPTICAL FIBER SENSORS FOR HARSH ENVIRONMENTS

REQUEST FOR REFUND

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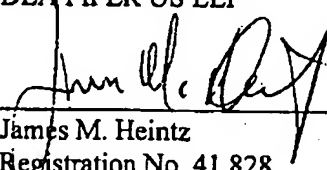
On December 21, 2006, the Applicants timely submitted a payment to the Office in the amount of \$1700 for payment of the Issue and Publication Fees as large entity.

Upon investigation, it appears that the payment of the Issue Fee as a large entity was made in error. The Assignee qualifies as small entity. As evidence, the Applicants submit a copy of Verified Statement of Small Entity Status.

A refund of \$700 is warranted. The Applicants kindly request an early and favorable indication that the refund has been deposited in the Applicants' representative's Deposit Account No. 50-1442.

Respectfully submitted,

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